

**Question for written answer E-005369/2016
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)**
Rule 130
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Subject: VP/HR - Actions of Turkey's border guards on its border with Syria

Parliament has received reports from various sources, including the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, of Syrian refugees being shot dead by Turkish border guards on the country's border with Syria.

Parliament has recently asked for this information to be verified. The Commission must therefore assess whether the agreement between the Union and Turkey for managing migration flows and refugees can continue to apply if these reports are confirmed. If they aver to be true there must be consequences.

It is completely unacceptable for our allies and partners in assisting and protecting refugees fleeing from war-torn in Syria, especially areas controlled by Daesh, to react with such indiscriminate force. The EU cannot tolerate such actions.

1. What information does the High Representative have on these attacks against civilians on Turkey's borders?
2. How many victims have there been?
3. How will the EU react?